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WAS CHI. GIRL PESTERED TO DEATH?

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STATE ST.'S SECRECY VEIL TORN LOOSE

Story of Accident to Man in Elevator Shaft at Rothschild's Comes to Light After Much Probing—
Police Had No Report of It.

The curtain of secrecy that State street draws about itself when an accident happens in one of the stores was ripped away yesterday by the police of the central detail. The billion-dollar business firms which sell to Chicago's millions were given a distinct shock.

Birney McLain of 25 Bishop st. was badly hurt in Rothschild's store on April 5. The store doctors treated his injuries and then hustled him away in a speeding auto to the People's

hospital. Nothing was reported to the police.

If McLain hadn't died in the People's hospital yesterday the accident might never have become known to the police, so completely does State street cover up such disagreeable affairs.

But the law provides that all deaths must be reported to the coroner's office. Physicians at the hospital did this; Rothschild's did not.

In the coroner's office, when the man had died almost a week after